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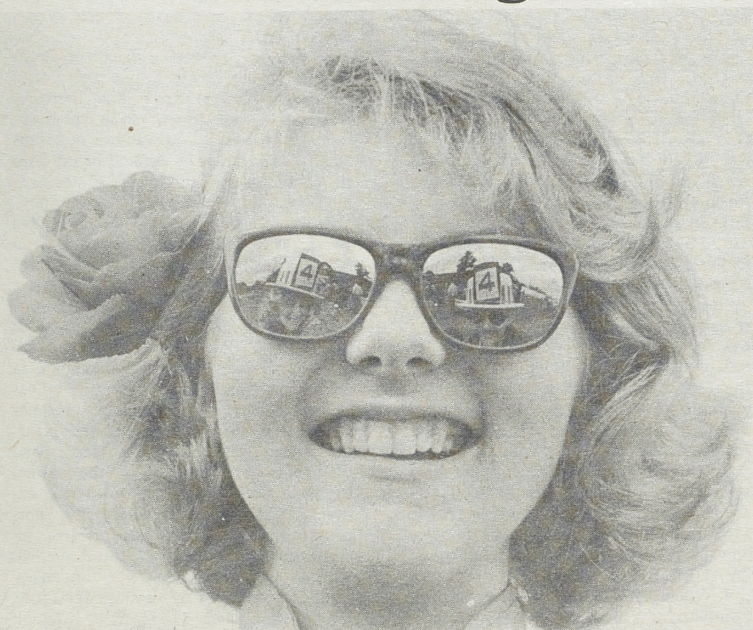
# NEWS

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## Homecoming '84



**REFLECTIONS OF HOMECOMING** scene in mirrored glasses worn by Keli Christiansen, 15, show her mom (left), Lynda Christiansen of Adams Library staff, and John Foley, vice president for College Advancement and Support, both wearing straw boaters advertising Referendum 4. Keli and others enjoyed tailgating and annual homecoming events on Sept. 29. See pages 4 and 5 for more photos. (*What's News* Photo by Gordon Rowley)

## RIC dancers to treat kids

Rhode Island College expects an "invasion" of between 4,000 and 5,000 grade school students on Oct. 16, 17 and 18, all eager to attend the annual Mini-Concert Series offered by the RIC Dance Company.

As of this writing, eight schools from Providence, Barrington and Cumberland have indicated they will attend, and more are expected, according to Dante DelGiudice, dance company director.

He said the concerts—to which members of the college community and the general public are invited—have proven "very popular" with the youngsters for over 10 years now.

Two concerts will be given each day—one at 9 a.m. and the other at 10:30 a.m.—both in Roberts Hall Auditorium.

The concerts will include excerpts of the dance company's repertoire which includes all professionally-choreographed pieces. One of them, "Female Rite" by Chuck

Davis, is a traditional African-style dance.

The mini-series, says DelGiudice, "is one of the more important parts of our educational program." In addition to performance, there will be lecture-demonstrations on technique and a "short improvisational event."



## One busy 'Blue Knight'

By George LaTour

The Providence Police Department is taking a giant step into the Age of Technology these days, thanks in large measure to Sgt. David C. Mello of Cranston, a math whiz who earned a master's degree in the subject in 1983 at Rhode Island College.

Mello, a 10-year veteran of the force, is in charge of the department's data processing unit. He and Det. Don Barkley, a programmer analyst with whom he works in the Special Projects Group, are planning and conducting research on the department's five year effort to upgrade its computer services.

Now in phase two, the overall plan is to provide comprehensive computer support for the administrative function of the department as well as for its personnel; i.e. the cop on the street.

"We're making suggestions and/or improvements," says the soft-spoken sergeant from behind one of the police computer terminals which he points to, explaining that under the modernization more terminals are being added.

The department already ties into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) system which originates in Washington, D.C., but this is done indirectly through Rhode Island State Police terminals currently on loan to them.

"Our goal is to tie in directly to NCIC. When we get where we want to be, we'll also be able to tie into other systems at NCIC," he reports.

As of this month they are operating the computers 24 hours a day, obtaining information "mainly on (stolen) motor vehicles," and, somewhat later, will obtain and exchange information on missing juveniles from throughout the country.

Also, the Providence police computer system has been a closed one. Modernizing will open it up so they "can talk to other systems" from other law enforcement agencies and exchange information valuable for current investigations.

While phase one of the five year plan was the provision of computer support of the administrative function (internal police records, etc.), phase two is aimed specifically at increasing the capacity to serve department personnel, thus enhancing their ability to function effectively on the street.

Previous to implementation of phase two on Oct. 1, if a policeman on patrol wanted

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To honor David Sweet

## Leadership award established

An annual award for outstanding community leadership has been established in memory of Dr. David E. Sweet, late president of Rhode Island College, by the Alumni Association of Leadership Rhode Island.

The award is being made in recognition of Sweet's contributions to the Leadership Rhode Island program and the Rhode Island community.

The Dr. David E. Sweet Leadership Award will be presented annually to an "outstanding community leader chosen for demonstrating exceptional community leadership," said John D. Zielinski, president of the alumni association.

The organization will select its first award recipient in January, 1985. A committee is being named to select nominees for the award from among members of the association.

Leadership Rhode Island is a community leadership development program organized by the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce four years ago to identify future leaders in the state and develop their level of community participation through a nine-month program of seminars designed to expose these potential leaders to current issues and decision-makers in the state.

Bond money can make difference:

## Cites role center will play

"Every time we talk with industry (personnel), they tell us to work with students on the latest concepts in materials technology."

This observation by James McCrystal, associate professor of industrial education at Rhode Island College, illustrates one of the roles which college officials feel the conversion of Whipple Gymnasium, a 1958 structure, into a center for industrial and business technology can play in the institution's future. Passage of referendum number 4 on the Nov. 6 ballot will make funds available for the conversion.

According to John S. Foley, vice president for college advancement and support at RIC, McCrystal's observation provides an example of the sort of interaction which

increasingly will be necessary for higher education to successfully prepare graduates for the marketplace and for industry and technology to assist higher education in providing state of the art learning experiences for future employees.

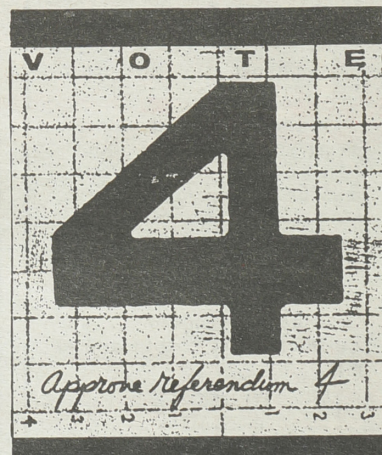
In a relaxed and free-ranging discussion of the interface between business, industry and the college, McCrystal provided insight to the sort of links a center will allow the college to forge with the business/industrial/technological community.

"The whole purpose behind the project is to bridge the gap between industry, education and various groups in the community such as the Small Business Association, labor groups, and areas of the business sec-

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**INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION** Prof. James McCrystal talks of bond issue Referendum 4





## London calling!



A Spring Break trip to London is being organized by the Rhode Island College Department of Communications which is inviting all members of the college community.

Busses will leave RIC for Logan Airport on Thursday, March 14, and return on Saturday, March 25. Cost of the trip which will include airfare, ground transportation, hotels, continental breakfasts and bus tours will be approximately \$650 per person.

A deposit of \$100 (check payable to Rhode Island College) is due by Oct. 15 for those intending to make the trip.

Highlights of the trip will include a tour of the BBC, Parliament, British museums and theater, monuments and other areas of interest. Bus tours will include three-day excursions through London and the surrounding countryside.

Evenings will be set aside for wining, dining, theater, "punks," music and other aspects of London nightlife.

An informational meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 9, at noon in Henry Barnard School, Room 202. All are welcome to attend.

For further information you may contact Ann Galligan of the communications and theatre department at 456-8646.

## Of note...

**GARY A. ELLAL** of Providence, a 1984 Rhode Island College graduate, has been named one of the "Outstanding Young men of America" and will be included in the 1984 edition of the publication of the same name.

He, along with a number of other young men in America between the ages of 21 and 36 was recently selected by the Outstanding Young Men of America Board of Directors on the basis of his outstanding civic and professional contribution to his community, state or nation.

Nominations for this honor are derived from senators, congressmen, governors, mayors, state legislators, university and college presidents and deans as well as various civic groups including the United States Jaycees which endorses the program.

Ellal's complete biography will appear in the annual publication.

**DR. FRANCIS MARCINIAK**, professor of music and director of the American Band, underwent successful open-heart surgery on Sept. 24 at Rhode Island Hospital.

**OSKY V. CASCONE**, assistant professor of nursing, has resumed her duties after being hospitalized this past summer.

**THANKS TO THE 122 PEOPLE** who donated blood last week, the college went over its goal. Mary Olenk of the office of health promotion extended special thanks to the professors who announced the blood drive in their classes and to the Kappa Delta Phi Fraternity for last-minute assistance.

## Do you need...

**FOR RENT:** 2-bedroom apartment near RIC. Unfurnished, central gas heat. No utilities. Please call 751-1926 after 6 p.m.

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Tuesday  
4:30 p.m.

### Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects:

# Request for proposals

(The Bureau of Grants and Sponsored Projects will be providing information about requests for proposals (RFPs) on a regular basis in this column. Anyone interested in obtaining further information or application need only circle the numbers of the RFP on the coupon below and send it to the Bureau in Roberts 312.)

#### 1. American Philosophical Society: Basic Research Grants in all Fields of Learning:

These awards support basic research in all fields of learning by those holding a doctoral degree or the equivalent. Grants are intended to help defray research costs such as travel and the collection and preparation of materials. The maximum award level is \$3,500. Over \$400,000 is available annually for awards. DEADLINE: Dec. 1

#### 2. Pacific Cultural Foundation Grants Programs for Study on Taiwan:

Four types of grants (research, writing, publication, and seminar) are offered to scholars of all nations to further the study and understanding of Taiwan. Approximately 35 research grants are awarded annually in the arts, humanities and sciences. The Pacific Cultural Foundation is a non-profit research and cultural organization facilitating exchange with western nations. DEADLINE: Dec. 10

#### 3. Murray Research Center, Radcliffe College: Radcliffe Research Scholars and Research Support Programs:

Both programs provide support for post-doctoral research on women, using the resources of the Schlesinger Library and the Murray Research Center at Radcliffe College. Research support provides small grants averaging \$100-\$1,500, with application deadlines of Sept. 15, Dec. 15, Feb. 15, and April 15.

Research scholars receive support for a summer, an academic term, or a full academic year. Stipend for a full year is \$16,000 and the application deadline is Nov. 15 for the 1985-86 academic year. DEADLINE: Nov. 15

#### 4. Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation: Woodrow Wilson Women's Studies Research Grants:

Grants support research in women's studies topics, such as the evolution of women's role in society, women in history, the psychology of women, and women as portrayed in literature. Eligible candidates should have completed all pre-dissertation requirements in any field of study. Grant amounts will average \$1,000. DEADLINE: Nov. 12

#### 5. U.S. Department of Education: Comprehensive Program (Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education):

The fund supports projects designed to improve access to and the quality of post-secondary education, with emphasis placed on better serving the needs of learners. Although the fund is "responsive to the field", applicants should be familiar with its goals and annual programmatic priorities as described in the application booklet. Deadline cited is for required preliminary proposals. Full proposals, if invited, will be due on March 19, 1985. DEADLINE: Nov. 29

#### 6. President's Commission on White

#### House Fellowships: White House

**Fellowships:** The purpose of this program is to provide gifted and highly motivated young Americans with first-hand experience in the process of governing the nation and a sense of personal involvement in the leadership of the society. As a government employee, each fellow is paid by his or her agency at an appropriate scale (no higher than a GS-15, Step 3). Each year 13-19 fellows are chosen. DEADLINE: Dec. 1

**7. James McKeen Cattell Fund: Supplemental Sabbatical Awards for Psychologists:** These awards are designed to supplement sabbatical allowances for psychologists who are part of a college or university faculty to allow them to take a full year of sabbatical leave. Approximately 5-6 awards are made each year. DEADLINE: Dec. 1

#### 8. American Association of University Women Educational Foundation: U.S. Fellowship Dissertation Post-Doctoral Research:

Grants to women at the dissertation level or post-doctoral level or for the final year of study in selected professions (law, dentistry, medicine, veterinary medicine, and architecture). One-year post-doctoral awards offer stipends of \$10,000. Dissertation fellowships range from \$3,500-\$8,000 for one year. DEADLINE: Dec. 15

#### 9. W.K. Kellogg Foundation: National

**Fellowship Program:** Three-year awards of up to \$30,000 plus 12½ percent of the candidate's annual salary will be made in behalf of as many as 50 individuals of exceptional merit and competence. Fellows will carry out a non-degree, interdisciplinary, self-directed activity to expand their personal horizons beyond the confines of their chosen profession. These experiences may include workshops, short courses, consultations, independent investigations and appropriate travel. Awards will not be made for research within an applicant's discipline or profession. DEADLINE: Dec. 31

#### 10. UCLA/Institute of American

**Culture: Post-Doctoral and Visiting Scholars Support in Afro-American Studies:** Support is available in two categories: recent Ph.D. recipients are eligible for awards of up to \$21,500; senior scholars may receive awards to supplement sabbatical salaries. Applicants must have specific plans for activities during the fellowship year. The center has a particular interest in the support of policy-oriented research. Fellowships can be renewed, but are not subject to review in competition with new applications. DEADLINE: Dec. 31

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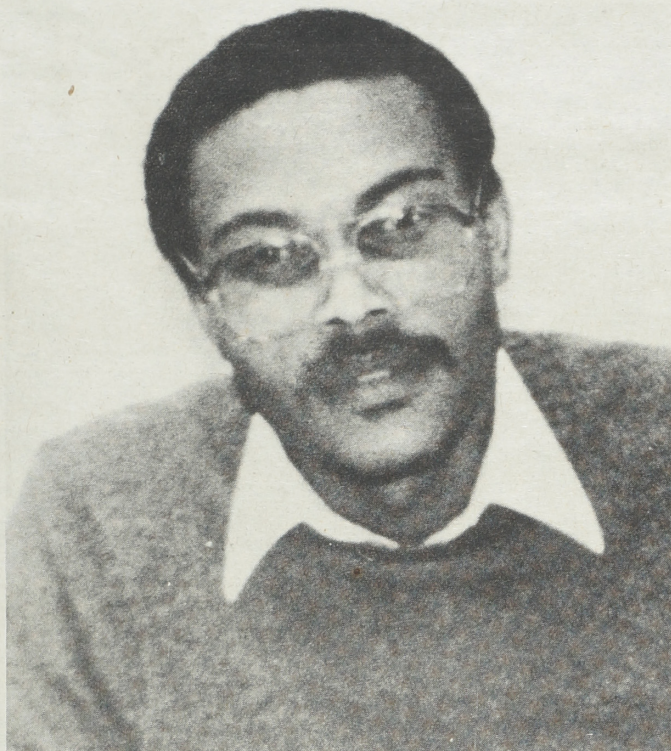
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# The Second Front Page

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Glenn E. Liddell

## Services held for Liddell

A memorial service for Glenn E. Liddell, director of residential life and housing at Rhode Island College for the past seven years, was held last Wednesday in the college's Gaige Hall.

Liddell, 38, husband of the former Dorothy McWilliams, died Tuesday morning at his Providence home after a protracted illness.

A native of Mississippi, his funeral services and burial were held Saturday in Tutwiler, Miss.

"We have come here today as witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus Christ, because we have lost a friend, a husband, a father, a son, a fellow educator, a significant and faithful man," said Dr. Gary M. Penfield, vice president for student affairs and dean of students under whom Liddell had served.

"One could not know Glenn Liddell for long without being struck by his quiet dedication and thoroughness with which he approached his responsibilities," said Penfield.

"Within a year of his arrival he had reconstituted and revitalized the professional staff and para-professional resident advisor staff.

"With the help of these staff members he charted a course for the residence life program which emphasized clear standards and expectations for residents, individual respect for the rights of others, educational objectives in support of the classroom experience, and physical improvements within the halls to enhance the quality of the living conditions," noted Penfield.

"One important measure of the success of Glenn's leadership is that within two years annual occupation of our halls jumped from 82 percent to 100 percent with significant waiting lists to this date of students who desire access," said Penfield.

"Glenn was a patient advocate for students. He urged high standards and he particularly enjoyed those occasions when he would work with students to help them achieve those standards.

"He preferred this type of positive confrontation, yet he also knew when to 'hold the line' to insure that the student would 'get the message.' Most of all, Glenn was patient beyond belief," pointed out Penfield.

In his remarks at the service "to celebrate the life of Glenn Liddell" Penfield recalled that Liddell had taken a six-month sab-

atical study leave just one year ago to engage in dissertation research.

"When he returned to campus last February he continued to allocate time toward the completion of his dissertation even when his health was deteriorating," he said.

Glenn was notified the day before he died that his dissertation had been accepted, that he had completed the necessary requirements, and that he had been granted a doctoral degree by Western Michigan University.

"What an accomplishment that was! What a joy it must have been to Glenn to receive that good news!" said Penfield.

The memorial service was conducted by the Rev. Michael C. Turner, pastor of the Olney Street Baptist Church in Providence of which Liddell was a member.

The invocation was given by the Rev. Anderson Clary. Scripture readings were given by Marco McWilliams, one of Liddell's five children. Douglas Cureton, director of Weber Hall dormitory, and Sharon Mazyck, coordinator of career development, sang "On Eagle's Wing" and "Precious Lord" respectively, and "I Believe" as a duet. Musical accompaniment was by Cureton and Janet Peterson. Mat Santos also offered remarks on the life of Liddell.

Born Jan. 25, 1946, in Drew, Miss., he was a son of Annie L. (Copprie) Wade and the late Harvey Liddell.

Besides his wife and mother, he leaves four sons, Omar Liddell of Atlanta, Ga., and Marco, Miguel and Lawrence McWilliams, all of Providence; a daughter, Monique McWilliams of Providence; and a sister, Doris A. Carlize of Drew.

Liddell received a bachelor of arts degree in 1969 from Southern Illinois University, and a master of arts from Western Michigan University. His doctorate was in education.

Prior to joining the RIC staff, he had served as instructor in the department of social science at Coahoma Junior College in Clarksdale, Miss.; as teaching assistant in the department of psychology and residence hall director at Southern Illinois University; and as assistant director of residence hall programs at Western Michigan.

He assumed the position of director of residential life and housing at RIC in August of 1977.

### Hypergraphics 1984:

## RIC's Brisson curator of RISD-Brown show

Hypergraphics is a term coined by the late David Brisson, a faculty member at Rhode Island School of Design for 18 years until his death in May, 1984.

It combines the meaning of *hyper* (above, super, extra, beyond) with the word *graphics* (writing and drawing in both two and three dimensional space). The term is intended to define a concept of work which extends beyond traditional methods of image-making. In a broad sense it refers to any transcendent visual concern.

From Oct. 4 through Oct. 15 an exhibition of works entitled, *Visualizing Higher Dimensions, Flatland 1884, Hypergraphics 1984*, will be on display at the Woods-Gerry Gallery of RISD.

Curator of the show is Harriet Brisson, professor of art at Rhode Island College. She is Brisson's widow.

The show is dedicated to the memory of David Brisson and is being mounted in conjunction with the 100th anniversary of the

cent lights. It is large enough to get into and once inside an individual can see him or herself reflected in the mirrors in infinite repetitive patterns. Brisson jokingly calls it an "infinity box."

"I've wanted to make something you could get inside of for five or six years," she explains.

"Previously my husband had attempted to create a fourth dimension, to get beyond the conventional visual apprehension of things, but he always approached it from outside.

"(The infinity box) makes it possible to more fully experience the fourth dimension by getting inside the form rather than viewing from the outside."

Besides the show there will be a symposium conducted over three days (Oct. 11-13). It will include films, talks, panel discussions and the like.

An opening lecture tied to the show was to be held Oct. 4. Speaker was Arthur



**REFLECTIONS TO INFINITY:** RIC art professors Curtis LaFollette and Harriet Brisson reflect inside their collaboration, an 'infinity box.' (RIC Photo by Gordon Rowley)

novel *Flatland*, a 19th century effort to visualize higher dimensions.

There is an exhibition relating to *Flatland* and its author Edwin Abbott Abbott at Brown University's Rockefeller Library Oct. 1-31.

Thomas Banchoff, head of the Brown mathematics department proposed the Woods-Gerry exhibition and, in conjunction with several others, created the computer graphic image which adorns the cover of the exhibition's catalog.

Harriet Brisson explains that over the past several years since her late husband introduced the concept in 1976 an increasingly large group of artists, scientists, mathematicians and engineers have come together to participate in symposia and exhibitions devoted to hypergraphics.

David Brisson began the symposia with a talk at Harvard. In 1976 the Carpenter Center there organized an exhibition called *Virtual Realities* consisting of work by both Brissons, the Spanish painter Jose Yturralde, and computer generated films by Banchoff and Charles Strauss of Brown.

Since then there have been shows at American Association for the Advancement of Science in Washington, D.C., Princeton University, RISD, the Newport Art Association and at Rhode Island College.

The work of 25 creators of hypergraphics pieces, some of whom work jointly, will be on view.

Among the pieces to be shown is a collaborative effort by Harriet Brisson and Curtis LaFollette, professor of art at RIC. It is a "truncated 600-cell," a plexiglass, wood and mirrored pyramid, lit by fluores-

Loeb. His topic was *Virtual Reality, Artful Illusion*. Another talk is scheduled for Oct. 13 at 6 p.m. in List Auditorium, Brown University. Linda Henderson of the University of Texas will speak on *The Fourth Dimension and Modern Art*.

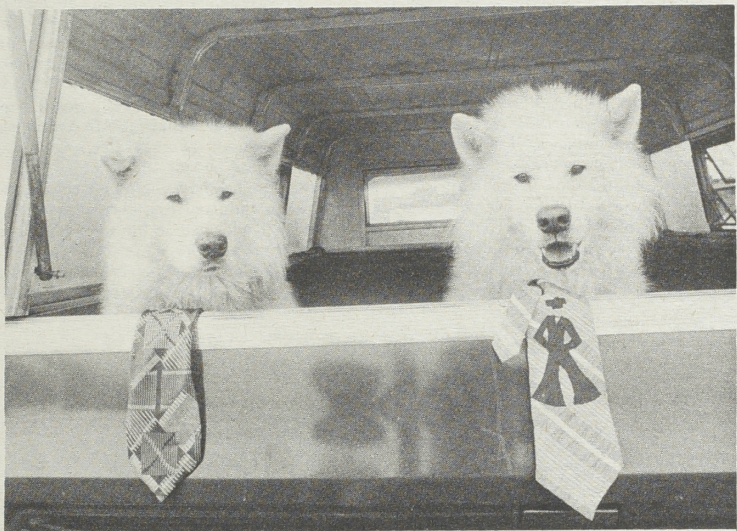
Brisson and LaFollette also serve simultaneously as guest curator for a related show entitled *Synthetic Constructionism* at the Solomon Hatch Gallery on North Main Street, Providence. That show runs Oct. 10 to Nov. 10.



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# Homecoming '84



AT THE HEIGHT of Homecoming fashion are Meury and Monty (above), the pets of faculty members James and Pamela Rubovits. Tailgate competition prize winners (top) exault over their winning Mexican theme. South of the border cuisine was concocted by (l-r) Linda Catino, Charlene Santos, Lynda Christiansen of the Adams Library staff, and Keli Christiansen. Kissing booth (right) operated by residence hall students in clown costumes was popular at Homecoming, 1984.





## ★ CENTER

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tor which will tie in with technology," said McCrystal.

The amiable professor, a parttime model in his spare hours, explained that once a center for industrial and business technology is established at the college, the department of industrial education plans to form ties with industries such as General Dynamics Electric Boat facility at Quonset Point and programs like Educators in Industry.

Workshops with such agencies will be held at the center, McCrystal pointed out. In-service and pre-service teacher training will take place in conjunction with seminars and meetings involving representatives from various businesses and industries. These joint efforts will allow teachers to better understand the needs of industry and will allow industry to better accommodate the educational process.

Program models already exist for such cooperation, McCrystal noted. The center will allow them to be expanded.

One such program he described has teachers in the public schools "shadowing" personnel in industry at both the managerial and production levels. These teachers are given a full exposure to the actual demands and requirements of the contemporary business scene and are then able to share them with the students, McCrystal said.

Mathematics and science teachers as well as business and industrial arts faculty members in the public schools are included.

Programs of this nature as well as other interactive projects between the college and the business/industrial sector will be enlarged or initiated once Whipple Gymnasium has been converted into a center for such activities, McCrystal feels.

"The college will be able to train people already working in industry as well as prepare students for jobs in industry. It will also enhance the ability to teach industrial arts subjects," he said.

"The building will ultimately serve to bring together the college faculty, students and the business and industrial segments of the community to the advantage of both," he added.

McCrystal gave several examples of the specific kind of activity the center could house.

"The basic thrust in materials technology—an area which is of much interest to the industrial community—lies in understanding materials processing," the professor pointed out.

There are three areas in materials processing—metals, synthetics and fibrous industries.

"The center will have one big processing lab which will include all three," McCrystal said.

"The center will be a place where the latest concepts can be explored by business, industry and education," he observed. "It will be a place where we can work together and create solutions to technological problems in the state."

Among the components planned for the center is an extensive testing lab which will be equipped to do both destructive and non-destructive testing, McCrystal pointed out.

Destructive materials testing includes tensile testing, compression testing and fatigue testing.

The college is currently capable of conducting destructive tests on materials in order to teach students the methods involved.

When the center is completed the industrial education department will be equipped to also do non-destructive tests such as X-rays, spectrographic tests and sonar tests.

"That's what we want to do. We're set up to do destructive tests. We want to get into non-destructive testing," said McCrystal.

"Materials technology is getting big and we want to be able to concentrate on that. It is a focal point. I see the center as a means to get people from the various sectors to collaborate."

He said that he feels the college already has a close working relationship with a number of industries in the state and he believes the center will make it possible to deepen and broaden the connections.

He cited cooperative endeavors between the college and Raytheon, Fram Corporation, General Electric, General Dynamics, Brown and Sharpe, A.T. Cross, and Tectron Industries as examples.

In other developments related to the campaign to elicit voter support for passage of referendum number 4, Foley reports that a brochure produced to explain the bond issue has been mailed to 26,000 alumni and friends of the college.

Also, copy has been completed for a postal card to be distributed among alumni and friends of RIC for mailing to family and friends.

Foley also reported that radio and television commercial spots are in the final stages of preparation and speaking engagements are being booked for representatives of the college to talk on the bond issue.

In addition, efforts are being made to book speakers on radio and tv talk and/or news shows.

## ★ Blue Knight

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to check out a suspected stolen vehicle, he would call over his radio to headquarters, but the officer on the receiving end could obtain "very limited" information on the vehicle from NCIC (little more than a listing of stolen vehicles).

To supplement this limited information, a manual search through "countless files" had to be conducted before the officer in the street could receive all the pertinent information he desired or needed (owner's name, if the vehicle had been involved in a crime, etc.).

The department "now has a decent data base," says Mello.

"We'll make this information available to street personnel as well as share it with NCIC," he says, explaining that with its expanded capacity the department will be able to enter "all the information we need in our own local system."

Phases three, four and five will provide further expansion of the system as set up in the first two phases; i.e. more in-depth information for use in both administrative functions and investigative work of any kind of personnel.

"These phases will probably deal with further automation" of office duties and those of other units in the department, reports Mello. In the later case, for instance, the computer system will provide automatic case tracking and case management.

This, explains Mello, will enable police to know almost instantaneously which cases are still unsolved and to what stage in the investigation they have progressed.

Providence's law breakers, it seems, won't have a chance!

In talking with Sergeant Mello, his pride in the department and its accomplishments and plans for future enhancement of its communications abilities is obvious. The people at RIC are just as obviously proud of the sergeant.

"David is the most outstanding graduate student we've ever had," according to Dr. Robert J. Salhany, professor of mathematics and computer science, and, he is "by far the best student I have had in 20 years of college teaching."

Adds Salhany: "He's almost a legend!"

Physically a big man, "he's as courteous and gentle as you'd want to meet and he's a credit to the college, himself and the police department," attests Salhany who was Mello's academic advisor and first professor to have him in class at RIC.

When Mello took his first course in math "he was shooting so far ahead of the other students—really doing second course work—he ended up finishing both courses in one semester," Salhany says with almost fatherly pride.

"It was just obvious to me he was an extraordinary talent," he adds enthusiastically.

Mello graduated from Bryant College in 1980 with a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice, obtained—like his master's degree—while working fulltime as a policeman.

Like nearly all rookie policemen, when he joined the force he was assigned to the Patrol Bureau. For two and a half years he covered a beat, either on foot or in a patrol car. Then it was into "Planning and Research" which has since developed into the "Special Projects Group."

Like any number of other policemen on the Providence force, Mello was the subject of a personal interest by none other than the man who wears the No. 1 shield...Col. Anthony J. Mancuso, chief of police.

"This chief is very supportive of any police officer who wants to go to school," reports Professor Salhany. Sergeant Mello nods in agreement.

"Out of the 417 policemen in the department, over 200 have college degrees," points out Mello. In fact, Mello's superior, Maj. John D. Zielinski, is a lawyer and holds a master's degree in public administration.

Let's have no further reference to "dumb cops on a beat!"

"The old stereotype is a thing of the past," assures Salhany.

He says that Colonel Mancuso "heard Dave had applied to Brown University (after receiving his master's degree) and on his own initiative fought to get him a scholarship."

"I do think Colonel Mancuso deserves a lot of credit for initiating the process of Dave's getting a scholarship at Brown. He had asked RIC to support his efforts on behalf of Dave and we did," relates Salhany.

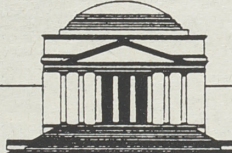
In his letter to Professor Salhany requesting supportive college testimony for Mello, the chief termed the sergeant "a man of unusual ability" and because of this, he said, he was attempting "a rather unusual endeavor on his behalf"...a personal and direct request to Dr. Howard Swearer, president of Brown, for favorable consideration of Mello's candidacy as a post-graduate student.

The chief got his request: Professors Salhany, Mariano Rodrigues, Barry Schiller and Roger Simons all wrote on behalf of their former prize student. And, the chief's efforts paid off.

This fall, Sergeant Mello enrolled at Brown on a full scholarship in pursuit of a Ph.D. in applied mathematics.

He now attends the prestigious Ivy League school parttime as well as teaches mathematics parttime at both Bryant College and the New England Institute of Technology. He does this in addition to being a husband to the former Grace Valvo and the father of their two children, David, 10, and John, 6, and all this, of course, in addition to working fulltime on the Providence Police Department.

A "Blue Knight" (in Providence's brown uniform) was never so busy.



# NATIONAL HIGHER EDUCATION WEEK

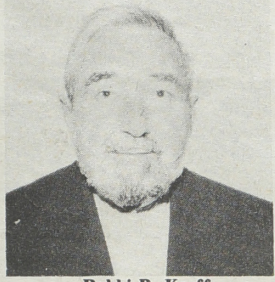
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celebrates the contributions  
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levels of American education  
because we have the  
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ON THE JOB: Sgt. David Mello (center) gives Col. Anthony Mancuso, chief of Providence police, (left) and Dr. Robert Salhany, professor of math and computer science at Rhode Island College, a demonstration of data processing on the department's state-of-the-art hardware.



## To discuss politics in religion



Rabbi B. Korff

"Should Religion be in Politics?" will be discussed by Rabbi Baruch Korff of Providence at the Oct. 10 opening of Rhode Island College's History Department Luncheon Colloquia.

Religion and politics will be the theme of the first four presentations of the colloquia, reports Dr. Norman R. Pyle, associate professor of history.

"The theme is timely in view of certain issues that have been highlighted in the presidential campaigns," he notes.

Other colloquia speakers and their topics scheduled are: Dr. J. Sanley Lemons, professor of history, who will discuss "Church and State an Historical Perspective," on Oct. 17. Lemons will examine the issue of religion in past presidential elections.

The Rev. Richard Brown, executive secretary of the Rhode Island Council of Churches, will look into the traditional Protestant position regarding church and state issues on Oct. 24. His talk is entitled "Church and State in Today's Politics."

State Rep. Elizabeth Morancy, a former member of a religious order, will speak on career conflicts that can develop from the issue of "Women, Religion and Politics," on Oct. 31.

Rabbi Korff, considered by himself as somewhat of a "political maverick," retired from the rabbinate and chaplaincy.

He appears weekly on Channel 6, WLNE-TV's "Confluence" program on Sunday mornings, is an author and political ghostwriter.

In a letter to Pyle, he indicated that he may bring Prof. Hebert S. Parmet of New York with him to the colloquium. Parmet is interviewing Rabbi Korff for a new book he is doing. Parmet is an author and biographer of Presidents Kennedy, Eisenhower and FDR.

All colloquia are held in the History Lounge (Gaige Hall 207) on Wednesdays from noon to 1 p.m. The college community and public are invited to attend free of charge.

You are also invited to bring your lunch and join in the conversation.

## Revised policy on holding office approved

A revised policy concerning state employees holding and running for public office has been approved by the state Board of Governors for Higher Education and distributed to the presidents of the state's three institutions of higher learning.

In brief, the policy permits public office holding by employees "when in the opinion of the president of the institution concerned the individual can continue to perform satisfactorily his/her job responsibilities, and when no conflict of interest is created by the holding of the faculty/staff appointment and the public office."

Acting President John Nazarian of Rhode Island College said today that the Board of Governors' policy "becomes the policy of the college" and members of the college community should be aware of it.

(The complete text of the revised policy follows below.)

The board approved the revision of the policy at its Sept. 20 meeting and voted "that the Board of Governors approve the attached 'Policy Concerning Employees Holding and Running for Public Office' and that the president of each institution report annually to the board on the implementation of this policy."

### Public Office-Holding Policy

It is the policy of the Board of Governors to permit public office holding by its employees when in the opinion of the president of the institution concerned the individual involved:

1. Can continue to perform satisfactorily his/her job responsibilities; and when
2. No conflict of interest is created by the

holding of the faculty/staff appointment and the public office.

### Political Campaign:

Members of the faculty and staff may campaign for any public office without modification of the terms and conditions of their institutional status if the campaign does not interfere (in any way deemed significant by the president) with the performance of assigned institutional duties. If the campaign does interfere with the performance of assigned institutional duties, the individual must resign from his or her position or petition for a leave of absence without salary from academic or other non-administrative duties. Absent extraordinary circumstances, a leave of absence from administrative duties will not be granted to campaign for an elective public office. Any leave of absence granted by the president pursuant to this policy shall be consistent with the provisions governing unpaid leaves of absence contained in the applicable collective bargaining agreement. In all campaign activities, the employee's relationship to the institution may not be exploited, either directly or indirectly.

### Election/Appointment

If elected or appointed, a member of the faculty or staff may accept a public office (e.g. membership on a town council, a local school board) that does not interfere with the individual's performance of assigned institutional duties without modification of the terms and conditions of his or her status.

If elected or appointed to an office that would interfere (in any way deemed significant by the president) with the performance of assigned duties, the individual must resign from his or her position, or petition for leave of absence without salary from academic or other non-administrative duties. Absent extraordinary circumstances, a leave of absence from administrative duties will not be granted to serve in an elective or appointive public office. Again, any leave of absence granted shall be consistent with the provisions of the applicable collective bargaining agreement.

Effective democracy provides the right of every private citizen to endorse a specific political candidate or cause. However, such endorsement should not interfere with or reflect the support of the institution for such political candidate or cause. Except for the limited purpose of identifying the institution as the employer of the faculty or staff member making a political endorsement, the name of the institution is not to be connected with such an endorsement in any way. No endorsement shall be made on the official stationery of the institution, nor on stationery having the institution's address or telephone number.

### Political Endorsements:

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### Application:

This policy applies to all faculty non-classified and classified staff at the institutions, however, classified employees must also comply with R.I.G.L. 36-4-51 prohibiting classified employees from campaigning for or holding any elective state office, and comply with any applicable personnel rules established by the personnel administrator.

## Co-op ed jobs are on the up-swing

(CPS)—Thanks to the economic recovery, the market for student interns seems to have reversed itself in the last few weeks.

A number of campuses around the country report businesses are offering more internships this fall, and that the campus cooperative education offices are having a hard time finding enough students to satisfy the demand.

"Placement is up this semester due to the turnaround in the economy," reports Keith Kirby, co-op ed director at Wichita State University. "For the first time, employers are calling us for students."

"We still have more students than positions," he declares, "but it's getting better." Kirby hopes to place 650 students this year, up from 520 a year ago.

"We register about 2,000 students yearly," adds Marilyn Perry of Brigham Young's co-op education office. "Sometimes there are more students than openings. But, while we still do some looking for positions, more and more companies are coming to us with positions. And

placements are definitely up."

The economic upswing also is providing an abundance of internships for North Texas State students, especially in "high tech" industries, says NTS program director Diane Altenloh.

"Jobs are booming in this area," she maintains. "And we're close enough to Dallas/Fort Worth that we can place our students there, too."

And Illinois State University reports a growing number of employers are recruiting students from cooperative education, then hiring them upon graduation.

"It's not guaranteed," explains Bill Kirk, engineering supervisor at Monsanto's East St. Louis, plant, which takes on "two or three" engineering students a semester. "But we've hired quite a number of them."

ISU's employer/student ratio "varies from day to day," says Dr. Marilyn Laurentz, head of the campus' program. "But we're maintaining a pretty solid balance."

Not all colleges, of course, are doing as well in placing students through cooperative education programs, which place students in career-related positions with companies and allow them to earn academic credit, often while getting a salary.

"In the last two semesters, the program has shown a decline," admits Lewis Hainlin of Drake University Des Moines. Hainlin attributes a 10-to-12 percent drop in the number of students it places to the loss of a federal grant.

"There are lots of positions in insurance, accounting, management and communication," he laments, "but it's hard to find positions for liberal and fine arts students."

New state regulations plus a drop in the number of paid positions has cut student participation in Miami-Dade Community College's program by five percent this semester.

"Florida mandates certain tests before students can enter their junior year," explains Dr. Roger Wadsworth, co-op ed director. "Students need to take more courses to pass the tests, so they don't want to pay for co-op ed credits."

Still, the college generally has more students apply "than we can find meaningful jobs for," Wadsworth notes. "And even with all our extra recruiting this semester, we came out with a five percent drop."

"The Cooperative Education Program at Rhode Island College has offered experiential education alternatives to over 1,500 liberal arts and pre-professional students during the past nine years," says

Ellen Weaver-Paquette, RIC Co-op Education coordinator.

"RIC offers a rigorous academic component to its co-op program and is regarded well nationally. Currently we have more positions than students and are actively recruiting students, particularly for next semester which we anticipate to be demanding. Positions are increasingly offering pay as well as opportunities for career advancement—an exceptional advantage to a liberal arts co-op program," Paquette noted.

"Many RIC co-op students have mastered fulltime entry-level job skills before graduation. Faculty and staff at the college should be encouraged to refer students within their disciplines who may benefit from extensive exposure to their chosen field," she said.

"Increasingly, RIC graduates already working in companies think of our co-op program and call to list positions, or indeed act as mentors within companies."

The relatively few programs lagging now and those that dropped during the recent recession have inspired the National Commission for Cooperative Education to attempt a campaign to improve them.

The commission plans a multi-million dollar media blitz to rejuvenate depressed programs and establish new ones, reports Dr. John Dromgoole, the commission's research director.

Dromgoole maintains co-op ed is growing, although the number of colleges with programs has leveled off last year at about 900 from a 1981 high of 1,017.

Inactive programs removed from the commission's list caused the decrease, he claims.

About 175,000 students participate in co-op yearly, he estimates.

"The biggest problem is that about 80 percent of those students are enrolled in about 25 percent of the programs," he observes.

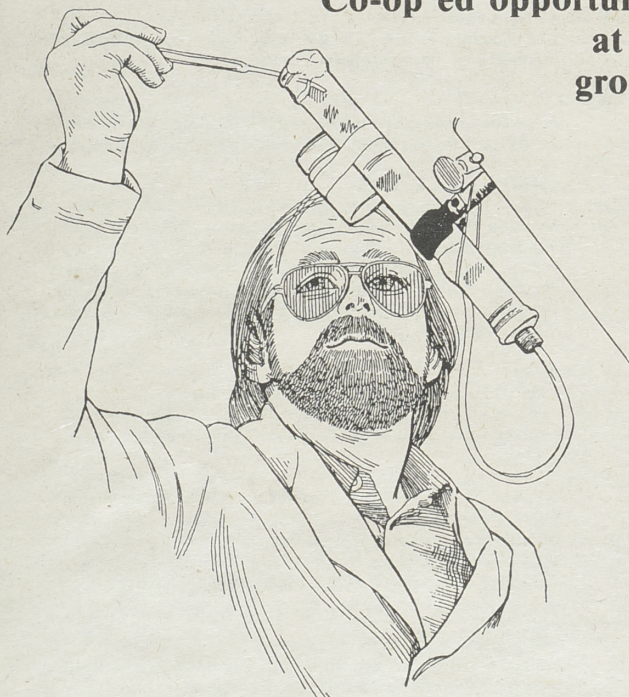
The commission hopes the ad campaign will double the number of "legitimate" participants by 1989.

While nationwide statistics for this year's co-op ed programs aren't out yet, a number of administrators believe the upswing already has begun.

Wichita State's Kirby thanks an emergence from "the depths of economic chaos" and his five-year-old program's "maturity" for the boom in internships.

Brigham Young's Perry notes her program has already fluctuated with the economy, and that a recent change in BYU's registration procedures also kept some students away.

## Co-op ed opportunities at RIC growing







Anne-Marguerite Michaud

Harpist featured:

## RIC Symphony to play Ives, Debussy, Brahms

The Rhode Island College Symphony Orchestra under the direction of Edward Markward will offer a free concert on Monday evening, Oct. 22.

Set for 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium on the RIC campus, the concert will include a selection from Charles Ives' *Decoration Day* (1912), Debussy's *Danse Sacree et Danse Profane*, featuring Anne-Marguerite Michaud on harp, and Johannes Brahms' *Symphony No. 4 in E Minor*, op. 98.

Michaud, principal harpist of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra, has studied harp since 1959, when she was seven years old. For thirteen years she studied with the late Marcel Grandjany, chairman of the harp department at The Juilliard School, where in 1974 she earned the degree of Bachelor of Music. As a student of Mr. Grandjany, Miss Michaud has performed many of his original works. She was first harpist of the Juilliard Concert Orchestra.

Miss Michaud has been soloist with several American orchestras, among them the Brown University Orchestra (1968 and 1980), the youth orchestra of the New England Conservatory of Music (1969), the Rhode Island All State Orchestra (1968), the Rhode Island Youth Philharmonic Or-

chestra (1963), the Fall River Symphony (1977), and the Rhode Island College Orchestra (1979). In January 1971 she was soloist with the Juilliard Repertory Orchestra at Lincoln Center.

Markward has been acclaimed by critics and audiences alike. His repertoire encompasses a wide range of styles from the masterworks of Bach and Handel to compositions of prominent twentieth-century composers. As a champion of new music, he has been cited by contemporary musicians for his performances of commissioned works and premieres. Paul Cooper has called him a "miracle worker," and Elie Siegmeister recently said "that performance was fabulous...and the world should get around to discovering him."

Currently director of orchestral and choral activities at RIC, he also holds the positions of conductor of the Festival Chamber Orchestra of Rhode Island and assistant conductor for the Providence Opera Theatre. Prior to his Rhode Island appointments, Markward was music director/conductor of the Ann Arbor Cantata Singers and Chamber Orchestra and musical director for the Ann Arbor Civic Theatre in Michigan.

### Pianist Walter Schenkman:

## To perform 'Goldberg Variations'

Pianist Walter Schenkman, artist and scholar who recently retired from the University of Northern Colorado at Greeley, will perform in a program consisting entirely of Bach's "Goldberg Variations" in the Rhode Island College Chamber Music Series on Wednesday, Oct. 17.

The free performance will be from 2 to 3 p.m. in Room 138 of Roberts Hall. As with all chamber music series programs, an invitation is issued to all members of the college community.

Schenkman's appearance at RIC will be his last in a series of recitals given in the New England area this fall. This spring he is scheduled to teach at Keimyung University in Taegu, South Korea, as well as conduct an extensive concert tour of that country.

The Goldberg Variations derive their name from the peculiar circumstances inspiring their composition.

The story is told that a certain Count Keyserling, suffering from insomnia, requested Bach to write something for him of a "smooth and somewhat lively character" with which his harpsichordist (Johann Gottlieb Goldberg) might entertain him during his sleepless nights.

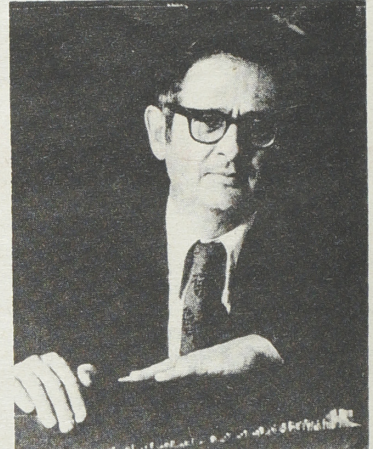
Bach obliged by presenting him with the present monumental set of Thirty Variations of an Aria that was henceforth to be known as "The Goldberg Variations."

Prior to his retirement, Schenkman served for a number of years as professor of music and chairman of the piano department in the UNC School of Music.

A frequent writer on musical topics, his

articles earned national recognition for him with his winning the ASCAP Deems Taylor Award in 1980. He was named UNC's Distinguished Scholar in 1981.

The pianist has appeared frequently in recital in the Rocky Mountain region as well as in New York's Town Hall in 1975.



Walter Schenkman

Other appearances have included both solo and chamber performances at the Starlight Festival of Chamber Music at Yale, the American Liszt Society meetings in Boulder, and with the University Symphony Orchestra.

The *New York Times* termed his "playing's energy and crispness...attractive."

## SPOTLIGHT ON RIC RHODE ISLAND'S CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

## Calendar of Events

Oct. 8 - Oct. 15

### MONDAY, OCT. 8

No Classes.

6 p.m. *Beginning Dance Aerobics*. Program to run for eight weeks on Monday and Wednesdays. Fee is \$30. Whipple Gym.

### MONDAY TO THURSDAY, OCT. 8-11

Noon *Mass*. Student Union, Room 304.

### TUESDAY, OCT. 9

3:30 p.m. *Women's Tennis*. RIC vs. Clark University. Away.

6:30 p.m. *Advanced Dance Aerobics*. Group to meet Tuesdays and Thursdays for eight weeks. Fee is \$30. Whipple Gym.

### TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY, OCT. 9-10

TBA *Women's Volleyball*. R.I.A.I.A.W. State Championships at Bryant College. Away.

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10

10 a.m. to Noon *Peer Counselor Training Course*. Open to the public. Student Union, Room 310.

Noon to 1 p.m. *History Department Lunchtime Colloquia*. "Should Religion be in Politics?" will be discussed by Rabbi Baruch Korff. Gaige, Room 207.

1 to 2 p.m. *Al-Anon Meeting*. Sponsored by the Office of Health Promotion. Open to the public. Craig Lee, Room 127.

2 to 3 p.m. *Psychology Department Colloquium Series*. M. Brinton Lykes will speak on "Autonomous Individualism and Social Individuality: Assessing Alternative Conceptions of the Self." Horace Mann, Room 303.

2 to 4 p.m. *Office of Career Services*. Interview workshop. Craig Lee, Room 054.

### THURSDAY, OCT. 11

10 to 11:30 a.m. *Office of Career Services*. Resume/job search workshop. Craig Lee, Room 054.

6 p.m. *Women's Volleyball*. RIC vs. Clark University. Home.

### THURSDAY TO SUNDAY, OCT. 11-14

8 p.m. *RIC Theatre presents*, "The Crucible," by Arthur Miller. Sunday matinee is at 3 p.m. Roberts Theatre.

### FRIDAY, OCT. 12

*Horseback Riding*, Sponsored by the Recreation Department. \$15 fee includes transportation and riding fees. 3rd Beach, Newport.

### FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, OCT. 12-13

4 p.m. Friday: "Libraries is the Future of Education," a conference which will focus on library services and the reform of education; 15 topics will be discussed by a number of guest speakers. Registration fee is \$25, which includes a dinner and a luncheon. Gaige Hall.

8:30 a.m. Sat. *Women's Volleyball*. RIC at Southern Connecticut State University Invitational. The second day of the tournament will begin at 9 a.m. Away.

### SATURDAY, OCT. 13

10 a.m. *Men's Cross Country*. RIC at Easterns. Away.

11 a.m. *Women's Tennis*. RIC vs. Stonehill College. Home.

TBA *Women's Cross Country*. Tri-State Championships. Away.

### SUNDAY, OCT. 14

TBA *Women's Tennis*. R.I. Grass Court Collegiate Doubles Championships, Newport.

10 a.m. *Sunday Mass*. Student Union, Ballroom.

2 p.m. *Men's Soccer*. RIC vs. North Adams State. Away.

7 p.m. *Sunday Evening Mass*. Browne Hall's Upper Lounge.

### MONDAY, OCT. 15

Noon *Mass*. Student Union, Room 304.

2 to 3 p.m. *Career Services*. Resume workshop. Craig Lee, Room 054.

3:30 p.m. *Women's Tennis*. RIC vs. Bryant College. Home.